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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
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Application No.: 09/873,249 ) Group Art Unit: 2675  
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PRELIMINARY REMARKS

Sir:

The following preliminary remarks are submitted in support of the patentability of the subject application. The preliminary remarks are not intended to be responsive to the Office Action mailed on November 17, 2004. For the reasons set forth in the Request to Withdraw Office Action filed December 9, 2004, that Office Action was prematurely issued and should be withdrawn.

Initially, Applicant respectfully traverses the outstanding objection to the drawings for allegedly not showing the first and second display devices divisionally displaying an image.

In response to this objection, it is submitted that "how" the divisionally displayed image is shown is displayed in Figure 3, which shows first and second display devices and the necessary signals being output from the image processing device 100. It is respectfully submitted that the showing of an actual divisionally displayed image should not be required because such a divisional display relates to an operation or method of displaying the image, and